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Deputy Minister

The Honourable Marion Reid
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Province of Prince Edward Island

May It Please Your Honour:

I have the honour to submit herewith the Annual Report of the Department of Community and Cultural Affairs for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1990, and activities for the period January 1 to December 31, 1990.

Your obedient servant,

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Minister

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Dear Sir:

It is my pleasure and honour to submit to you the Annual Report of the Department of Community and Cultural Affairs for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1990, and activities for the period January 1 to December 31, 1990.

Respectfully submitted,

Allan Rankin
Deputy Minister

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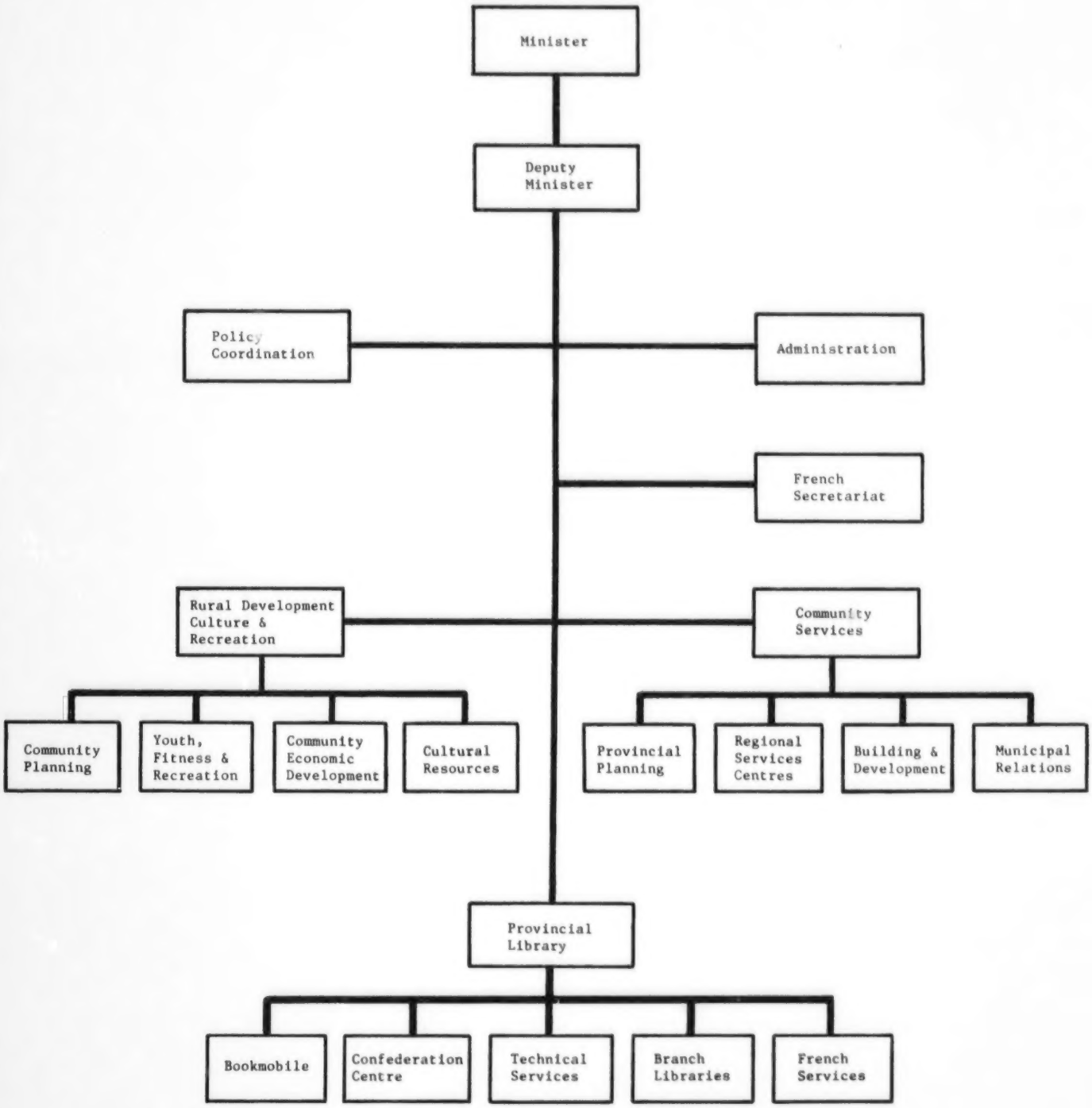


RURAL DEVELOPMENT, CULTURE & RECREATION DIVISION

Introduction

The Division was formed to assist the Department to meet its mandate as the lead department in rural development.

The Division has four sections: Community Economic Development; Youth, Fitness and Recreation; Cultural Resources; and Community Planning. The Division works in partnership with rural community organizations to facilitate enhancements to the quality of rural life. The Division actively promotes rural development, using incentive programs and dedicated professional staff.

During 1990, the Rural Development Strategy was finalized. This document will form the basis of government action in the area of rural development. The Division had a number of other significant achievements in 1990, which are outlined in the following section reports.

Community Economic Development Section

The Community Economic Development Section assists rural communities to organize and implement economic development activities. The Section is responsible for management of the Community Economic Development Program; the Co-operative Development Program; the Community Pride Program; and the Community Advisory Board Support Program. The Section assists with the delivery of the Regional Development Support Program delivered by the Department of Industry. During the year, the Section was enhanced with the additional responsibility for craft development.

Some highlights for the year include:

- About $1,071,000 in loan guarantees and $356,675 in interest rebates were approved under the Community Economic Development Loan Program.

- The Section assisted 51 craftspersons and organizations with 84 craft development projects, and assisted the P.E.I. Crafts Council with an operational grant of $29,700.

- The Section provided $81,971 in organizational support to the province's six Community Advisory Boards of the Government Regional Services Centres, and to three other community organizations.

- As an initial program of the new Rural Development Strategy, the Section assisted 22 rural communities and 17 rural businesses to undertake beautification improvements under the Community Pride Program.

During the year the National Film Board released a 29-minute documentary film detailing the Community Economic Development Process in the Evangeline Region. The film is titled, "We're the Boss" in English and "l'Option Co-op" in French. It was produced in co-operation with Industry and A.C.O.A. and has been nationally broadcast on both the English and French CBC TV Networks.

Section staff and activities are decentralized, focusing on the rural areas and on projects that will support the Province's objectives for rural development, as indicated in the Rural Development Strategy.

As a means of illustrating this decentralized approach, a regional summary of projects undertaken through the various programs is shown in Table 1.

TABLE 1

REGIONAL DISTRIBUTION OF DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS
NUMBER OF PROJECTS BY PROGRAM

REGION	COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOP.	COMMUN. PRIDE	CRAFT DEVELOP.	ADVISORY BOARD SUPPORT	CO-OP DEVELOP.	TOTAL
W. PRINCE	3	6	16	1	0	26
EVANGELINE	1	3	8	3	4	19
E. PRINCE	1	6	18	2	1	28
CENTRAL	1	1	26	2	3	33
E. KINGS	3	2	6	2	1	14
S. KINGS & QUEENS	2	4	10	1	1	18

The Community Economic Development Coordinators played a major role in the delivery of the Community Pride Program.

A significant event in the Section's activities for East Prince was the organization and formation of the East Prince Community Advisory Board.

Some of the major projects that staff have coordinated include the Regional Event Centre for East Prince, the Acadian Purchase Trust Peat Moss Development, the Baie Acadienne Cranberry Project, the O'Leary Arena, the Alberton Curling Rink and the expansion of the Strawberry Tissue Culture Company.

Community Economic Development Program

The Community Economic Development Program continues to assist non-profit economic development organizations through the provision of an 80% loan guarantee and interest rate reductions over the first four years of operation.

During the year, the program approved $1,071,000 in loan principal and $365,675 in interest rebates to 47 community-based projects.

The following projects were approved between January 1, 1990, and December 31, 1990, creating 63 full time equivalent jobs.

Table 2

Job Creation - 1990

Sponsor & Projects	Total Continuing Jobs to be Created
Alberton Curling Club	
- Rink, Banquet Facility	4
Baie Acadienne AIC	
- Incubator Mall Extension	3
P.C. Industries	
- Woodcraft Manufacturing	5
Westech Agriculture	
- Production Plant & Expansion	10
O'Leary Promotions Inc.	
- Summer Use of Arena	8
Friends of Sir Andrew MacPhail	
- Restoration of Historic Property	6
St. Peters Blueberry Festival Inc.	
- Swimming pool & golf	1
Spry Point Co-operative	
- Motel & restaurant	1
Islander Fashion Co-operative	
- Fashion Production & marketing	17
Kings County Development Assoc.	
- Marine Exhibit	0.5
Community Welfare League	
- Montague Pool	7.5
TOTAL APPROVED	6 3

Community Pride Program

The Community Pride Program was established to encourage citizen participation in rural beautification and to help build pride in our communities. It encourages private businesses to undertake improvements and the formation of local beautification committees. Designed to complement the ongoing efforts of the P.E.I. Rural Beautification Society, the Program gives priority to beautification projects in smaller rural communities.

The Program approved $164,550 in grants to 22 communities and 17 businesses during the reporting period as follows:

Community Projects

Elmsdale Community Centre
O'Leary Athletic Association
Alberton Lions Club
Alberton Library
Tyne Valley Sport Centre
Tyne Valley Women's Institute
Lot 16 Project
Baie Acadienne Co-operative
Wellington Fire Department
Le Village
Bedeque Community
Kinkora Business Centre
Kelvin Grove Women's Institute
Emerald Recreation Centre
Kinkora Community Council
Fort Augustus Recreation Centre
Eastern Kings Community Centre
Bay Fortune Church
Cardigan Community
St. Andrew's Church
Murray Harbour North Church
Gaspereaux Women's Institute

Business Projects

King's Restaurant, Tignish
Hardy Brothers, Alberton
Alton Jones, Alberton
Donnie Murphy, Bloomfield
Annis Kernaghan, Tyne Valley
Westisle Enter., Tyne Valley
Wellington Esso, Wellington
E.J. Gallant, Wellington
Erma MacArthur, Richmond
Coulson Enterprises, Kensington
Victoria Trading, Victoria
Durabelt Inc. Brudenell
Primrose Path, Murray River
Miller's QuikMart, Murray River
Brehaut Enter., Murray Harbour
Old General Store, Murray River
Harbour Craft Incorporated, Murray River

Co-operative Development Program

The objective of the Co-operative Development Program is to stimulate economic development through the co-operative approach. The Program is a response to the Provincial Co-operative Development Strategy. It assists co-operatives and co-operative organizations to plan for future changes and maximize their resources.

A total of seven organizations were assisted during the reporting period, totalling $22,937. Professional support and liaison with other provincial and federal jurisdictions is provided by Section staff. A summary of projects awarded during the year include:

Conseil Co-op de l'I.-P.-E.	$ 14,267
Montague Watershed Co-op	600
P.E.I. Committee of Credit Unions & Co-operatives	4,000
Prince Edward Marketing Co-op	1,050
Little Pond Community Centre Co-op	500
Cable TV Co-op	2,020
National Assoc. for Administrators of Co-op Laws	500
TOTAL	$ 22,937

Staff provided consultations to local co-operatives on a variety of projects, including Island Fashion Co-op, Prince Edward Marketing Co-op, Lighthouse Artists Co-op, Hardy's Channel Fish Co-op, and others.

As a follow up to recommendations of the Co-operative Development Strategy, a training workshop titled "Introduction to Co-operatives and Credit Unions for Civil Servants" was conducted in co-operation with the Civil Service Commission. Ten individuals participated in this workshop.

Work continued on a joint project with the Institute of Island Studies, the Co-operative Union of P.E.I. and Credit Union Central, aimed at producing a history of Co-operatives and Credit Unions on P.E.I. A first draft of the manuscript was complete at year end.

Staff participated in the development of a national report on Health Care Co-operatives, and a national conference of Ministers Responsible for Co-operative Development.

Craft Development Program

The Craft Development Program offered assistance to projects which created jobs and increased income for crafts people; expanded and diversified craft production, and generally promoted crafts as an industry. Forty two (42) projects were approved in Kings and Queens Counties supporting new product development, training, or marketing activities.

The Federal-Provincial Co-operation Agreement on Cultural Development was signed in 1990. Programs under the Agreement will be delivered by Craft Development staff of the Community Economic Development Section.

The section hired a Craft Officer to provide a full range of handcraft development services to eastern P. E. I. The new officer works out of the Southern Kings and Queens Regional Services Centre.

A mailing list of 260 names has been developed for sending news on programs, events, or craft-related activities. Four newsletters were sent to crafts people in the region. Many individuals used the services of the Craft Development office for business planning information, resource materials, applications for funding, or making market contacts.

In Prince County, the Prince County Craft Development Pilot Project provided assistance for 42 projects totalling $34,726. This included 13 new products, 8 training and 16 marketing initiatives in Prince County. The average size of project support was $827. Within the County, there were 16 projects in West Prince, 8 projects in Evangeline and 18 in East Prince.

Other activities in Prince County included assisting with the Christmas Galore Craft Show and the Atlantic Craft Trade Show. The Prince County Craft Development Officer has been retained to assist in delivery of craft projects under the Canada/Prince Edward Island Co-operation Agreement on Cultural Development.

In the central area, the Craft Development Coordinator provided assistance to the P. E. I. Christmas Craft Fair; the Atlantic Craft Trade Show; the Craft Bag Promotion Project; and various projects with the P. E. I. Crafts Council.

Community Advisory Board Support Program

The Community Advisory Board Support Program provides organizational support to the six Advisory Boards and funding for general development projects and regional promotion; volunteer leadership training and organizational training; and general board operating expenses.

The following projects were funded under the Community Advisory Board Support Program, during the year:

Eastern Kings Community Advisory Board	$ 12,000
Southern Kings and Queens Community Advisory Board	12,000
West Prince Community Advisory Board	12,900
Evangeline Community Advisory Board	13,800
East Prince Community Advisory Board	12,000
Acadian Purchase Trust	6,056
St. Peters Area Development Corporation	8,250
Association of Retired M.L.A.'s	4,100
Institute of Island Studies	500
TOTAL	$ 82,471

A regional summary of Community Advisory Board activities is included in the Regional Services Centres Section of this report.

Youth, Fitness and Recreation Section

The primary objective of this Section is to encourage all residents of the province to make productive, healthy use of their leisure time. Financial assistance, consultative services, leadership development opportunities and direct programs are provided to approximately 150 youth, fitness, sport and recreation agencies and organizations at the community, regional and provincial levels to achieve this objective.

During the past year, one new contract staff position was created within the Section to address the particular needs of the francophone community in the areas of youth, sport and recreation. The position is also being utilized to strengthen the relationship with the Boys and Girls Clubs of Prince Edward Island.

Recreation Unit

The Unit worked closely with the P.E.I. Facilities Association to provide two workshops to train ice arena and curling rink employees across the province. The first session, a two day ice making seminar, was held in Summerside. The other, an extensive eighty hour course covering all facets of arena operations, was held in West Prince, in cooperation with the Eastern and Western Community Ventures Programs.

A number of workshops were held in cooperation with the P.E.I. Recreation Association. As well, the Unit cooperated with the P.E.I. Recreation Association in the preparation of a brochure on recreation.

The regional staff of the Unit continued to provide consultative and recreation support to community leisure activity groups.

Community Recreation Support Program

The Community Recreation Support Program reached the final stage of its four year implementation during the past year. Under this program, 20 artificial ice arenas and 2 natural ice arenas received financial assistance. As well, 12 communities received financial support to employ full-time professional recreation directors.

Facility improvement grants were provided to a total of 27 communities and community groups.

Through the Administrative and Project Support Component of C.R.S.P., 21 communities received financial support for administration, programs and projects.

During the year the review committee for the Community Recreation Support Program completed its work. The recommendations of the committee, with subsequent modifications based on the reaction of the Rural Development Board following its review of the Committee's recommendations, will be reflected in the revised Community Recreation Support Program to come into effect on April 1, 1991.

Fitness Unit

The unit coordinated the province's participation in Fit Trek, a project which paired the City of Charlottetown and the Province of Prince Edward Island with the Soviet Community of Maikop in a week-long fitness competition. This program consisted of three components: a visit to Maikop by representatives of the City and Province (Hon. Gilbert Clements represented the province); a four day visit to the province by two representatives from Maikop and the fitness participation competition. Fit Trek was a huge success, with over 20 million minutes of physical activity recorded during the week. In October, preparations commenced for Fit Trek '91. Peter Doucette, M.L.A. represented the province during the Canadian visitation to the Soviet Union and our paired community of Uzhgorod.

The Unit also undertook a survey designed to assess the health and lifestyle patterns and needs of farm families and their seasonal farm workers. The project, funded by the Federal Department of Health and Welfare, was managed by the departments of Health and Social Services, Agriculture and Community and Cultural Affairs. A comprehensive needs assessment was circulated to approximately 500 persons in East Prince in Lots 26, 27 and 28. A return rate of 41.3% was achieved. The analysis of the project is now being completed.

Canada's Fit Week was celebrated in Prince Edward Island May 25 - June 2. Sneaker Day was the kick off for the week, with events being held throughout the province. The major event was in Charlottetown where Premier Joe Ghiz, accompanied by the Ministers of Community and Cultural Affairs, Education and Health and Social Services, led a parade through Victoria Park.

Amateur Sport Program

Forty four provincial sport organizations received financial assistance under the Amateur Sport Support Program. Over 34,000 participants registered with these organizations in 1990, an increase of 4,000 over 1989.

Sport P.E.I., the provincial sports federation, again provided administrative support to its member associations. The federation received both its annual grant and supplementary funding to support its organizational development initiative for 1991 Canada Winter Games sports.

1991 Canada Winter Games

The Unit continued to work closely with the Host Society as it prepared for the 1991 Canada Winter Games. Representation was continued on a number of Host Society committees. Three major facilities were completed during the year, Charlottetown Civic Centre, U.P.E.I. Field House, Brookvale Nordic Centre. In addition a large number of facilities across the province were upgraded.

The Provincial Canada Games Committee conducted a fund raising effort which raised in excess of $20,000 to supplement provincial funding for the provincial team. Mr. Jim Hogan once again chaired the fund raising sub-committee for the Provincial Canada Games Committee. Dr. John Thomson and members of his technical sub-committee organized a number of sport science sessions for coaches and managers involved in the 1991 Canada Winter Games.

Chef-de-Mission Ted Lawlor and the members of his provincial mission staff made significant progress in the administrative and technical preparations necessary for the provincial contingent of 177 athletes and 42 team officials to successfully compete in 19 of the 21 events in the Canada Games Program.

Brian McFeely was appointed Chef-de-Mission for the 1993 Canada Summer Games scheduled to be held in Kamloops, B.C. John Morrison was appointed assistant Chef-de-Mission.

Best Ever Program

The Best Ever Program entered its third year of operation during 1990. The Program, implemented in 1988-89, continued to provide financial and administrative assistance to the provincial teams preparing for the 1991 Games.

The primary emphases of the program in 1990 were on hosting pre-Games competitions, developing technical and support officials and strengthening administrative structures.

Seventeen sports hosted pre-Games events. These provided not only valuable competitive experiences for our athletes, but also served as a "dry run" for officials and organizers involved in hosting the '91 Games.

Approximately 170 technical officials and 1352 technical support officials were supported in their training by the Best Ever Program. This will be a significant legacy to the province after the Games are completed.

Acadian Games

In 1990, 1282 athletes participated in the 11th Finale des Jeux de l' Acadie held in the Evangeline Region from June 28 to July 1, 1990. Eight delegations representing New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island competed in the nine sports on the program. In the competitions to win the official game flag, the ultimate award, Prince Edward Island's delegation finished with 100 points, an improvement of 30 points over the previous year.

Both officials development and facilities development in the Evangeline Region were greatly enhanced by hosting the Games. The region extends its appreciation to federal and provincial governments for their support.

Leadership Programs

Twelve courses were held in the Skills Program for Management Volunteers. These courses continued to be offered through a network which encompasses the P.E.I. Recreation Association, and Sport P.E.I. A workshop for all trainers in the program was held in September.

The unit coordinated several coaching initiatives. In the National Coaching Certification Program, eleven Level 1 Theory courses and four level two theory courses were held. A highly successful annual coaching conference was attended by 90 persons. Four provincial representatives attended the National Coaching Strategy Conference in Ottawa.

Allied Youth Program

Allied Youth, which has about 1000 members on P. E. I., continued to be active at the local (post), regional, provincial and international levels. Currently, there are 8 senior, 19 junior, and 2 community Allied Youth Posts across the province. Approximately 250 members attended the Annual Joint Provincial Conference of Junior and Senior members held in Mill River.

Allied Youth hosted the 59th International AY Conference in Charlottetown with approximately 100 Island delegates in attendance. The major highlight of the Conference was the selection of P.E.I.'s Mary Eldershaw of the Morell Senior Post and P.E.I.'s Past Provincial President as the International AY President for 1990-91. An Award was presented to the Division of

Youth, Fitness and Recreation in appreciation of support. One of the Division's staff, Francie MacDougall, P.E.I.'s Provincial Supervisor received an International Appreciation Award.

Approximately 25 facilitators attended a Provincial Peer Education Train the New Trainers/Coordinators and Re-train the Experienced Trainers/Coordinators session in Summerside. Approximately 250 Grade 11 and 12 students attended the first ever Provincial Peer Education Train the Students in Mill River.

Each of the 11 High Schools delivered a combined drug and alcohol program to Grade 7 students across the province. Approximately 2,000 students participated in this program.

Duke of Edinburgh Program

During 1990, nine people were presented with their Bronze Award, three people were presented with their silver and five were presented with their Gold Award. The presentations were made by Her Honour Lieutenant Governor Marion Reid during a ceremony at Government House.

Junior Olympics Program

The Junior Olympics Program continued to be popular. Working cooperatively with the Department of Education, the Unit delivered the program to approximately 6000 boys and girls between the ages of 5 - 14.

Other Youth Initiatives

The Unit also supported the Interchange in Canadian Studies and provincial representation in Crossroads International. Support was provided to representatives from the University of Prince Edward Island to the Model United Nations Simulation in New York City and for representation to the Annual Spring competitions of Brigade companies. The Royal Life Saving Society and the Island LifeSavers Emergency Care Squad were also provided with assistance. Four students were selected and supported to attend the International Seminar on Youth and Development at Lester B. Pearson College of the Pacific.

The Unit continues to relate to Red Cross, YMCA, Boys and Girls Clubs, Boy Scouts, Girl Guides, and various other youth agencies and organizations.

Horse Racing and Sports Commission

The Horse Racing and Sports Commission was comprised of Chairman Ross LeFurgey, Allan MacLeod, and Hugh Graham. Gordon Carr served as its part-time Executive Director. The Commission provides a separate Annual Report.

Cultural Resources Section

The Cultural Resources Section is responsible for maintaining and extending cultural and heritage activities on Prince Edward Island. The Section is concerned with archives, archaeology, the arts in general, heritage, multiculturalism and provincial museums. The staff consist of five persons: the director, three program officers and an administrative assistant. Two of the three officers have regular office hours for most of the work week in Montague, Souris, Summerside, Wellington and Tignish, to better serve clients in those areas.

The Section funds a number of organizations to encourage the generation of cultural and heritage activities across the province.

The Community Schools Association received $49,300 in support of their activities. The Association had a successful year, increasing the number of communities participating in the program.

The P.E.I. Council of the Arts received assistance of $194,100, an increase of 50% over 1989. The increase was provided to expand its assistance to worthy artists and groups supporting the Arts and such art promotion activities as the Fall Festival of the Arts. The increased funding has also assisted the Council to re-examine its role and mandate over the course of the past year. That project is expected to be completed in 1991.

THe five regional Arts Councils received $13,200 to enable them to carry out their activities. A notably successful Ten Day Island Festival was held in Eastern Kings, prior to the Rollo Bay Fiddle Festival, which involved representatives from Cape Breton, Prince Edward Island and the Magdalen Islands.

The Prince Edward Island Council of the Arts, the Regional Arts Councils, the P.E.I. Crafts Council and Division representatives staged a major Cultural Conference in Montague in late October of 1990. The Conference explored directions in many facets of the Arts and provided an opportunity for representatives of arts disciplines to familiarize themselves with the terms and criteria of the Federal/Provincial Cooperative Agreement on Culture.

Theatre Prince Edward Island, which is supported jointly by the province and the University of Prince Edward Island, received $45,000 in operational support. The Strike at Putney Church, workshopped and presented by Theatre P.E.I., was a Main Stage production at the Confederation Centre in the summer of 1990. The Venerables, a play which catalogues the trials and delights of aging, reached its 350th performance. Shaping the Flame, a

play by Joe Sherman and based upon his Wallenburg poetry, was produced by Theatre P.E.I. with assistance from the Canada Council.

Mr. Ron Irving, artistic Director of Theatre P.E.I., received the Order of Canada in 1990, for his contributions to community theatre and theatre in general on P.E.I.

Acadian/Francophone Support

The Department supports the Acadian/Francophone Community through its Acadian Cultural Development Program and Heritage Development Program. The programs, funded under the General Agreement on Official Languages, are cost shared by the Secretary of State.

The Acadian Cultural Development Program supports the Acadian community in developing stronger associations and improved activities to meet their needs. With the assistance of the Acadian community through La Fédération Culturelle and the Acadian Affairs Advisory Board, the Acadian Cultural Development Program has been restructured to better accommodate the needs of the community. Assistance was made available to Le Village under the provisions of the General Agreement on Official Languages to support the dinner-theatre production "La Cuisine à Mémé". Funding assistance was also granted for the Le Festival Acadien.

The Section provided assistance to the new provincial Acadian Museum, being established in Miscouche. This new facility will enable Islanders and tourists to enjoy the interpretation of our rich Acadian heritage.

Assistance was provided for workshops on the concept of an ecomuseum. These have resulted in the formation of a provincial association with four regional members.

Apppui aux Acadiens et aux francophones

Grâce à l'Entente cadre sur la promotion des langues officielles, entente à frais partagés avec le Secrétariat d'État, le ministère appuie la communauté acadienne et francophone dans le cadre de son Programme de développement culturel acadien et de son Programme de mise en valeur du patrimoine.

Le Programme de développement culturel acadien a aidé la communauté acadienne à développer des associations plus solides et à améliorer les activités qui rencontrent leurs besoins. Par exemple:

Toxyne, Evangéline	Tour of Atlantic Region
Le Musée Acadien, Miscouche	Exhibit and Workshops
Le Village, Mont-Carmel	Theatre Production, "La Cuisine à Mémé"

Les Quenoeils de Prince Ouest, Tignish	Theatre project
Port La Joie, Charlottetown	Dance & Drawing classes
Conseil des Arts, Evangéline	Cultural activities and programming
Festival Acadien, Evangéline	Local artist promotion and presentation
Ecomusée acadien, Miscouche	Workshop & Exhibition
La Belle Alliance, Summerside	Summer art camp
Comité Culturel, Tignish	Summer dinner theatre
Comité Culturel, Rustico	Summer art camp

Le Village a reçu de l'aide en vertu de l'Entente cadre sur la promotion des langues officielles afin d'appuyer son souper-spectacle "La cuisine à Mémé". Une aide financière a aussi été accordée à titre de soutien du Festival acadien pour faire la promotion d'artistes acadiens de la région.

Aidé de la communauté acadienne par l'entremise de la Fédération culturelle et du Comité consultatif des communautés acadiennes, le Programme de développement culturel acadien a été restructuré afin de mieux satisfaire les besoins de la communauté.

Au cours de l'année, un projet important, soit la construction d'un nouveau musée provincial à Miscouche (le Musée acadien) a été entamé. Ces nouvelles installations permettront aux insulaires et aux touristes d'apprécier l'interprétation de notre riche patrimoine acadien.

De l'aide a été accordée afin d'offrir des ateliers traitant d'un écomusée, ce qui a eu comme conséquence la formation d'une association provinciale composée de quatre membres régionaux.

Cultural Industries Support

The Cultural Products Development Fund assisted Island artists and organizations to produce a variety of products ranging from sound-recordings to films and stageplays, including:

The Island Media Arts Cooperative (an Atlantic Film Conference),
Homefree Productions (three plays),
Marram Productions (tape-recording),
Jar O'Comfort (tape-recording),
Sound Ventures (two tape recordings),
Lee Fleming (film),
"Contact East" (artists' showcase),
Institute of Island Studies (study of the Cooperative Movement),
Don Burnett (Celtic Symphony).

In addition, the Fund assisted a national survey on consumer arts, the "Consumer Arts Profile". Decima Research (Toronto) and Cultur' Inc. (Montreal) are conducting research on consumers of

cultural products across the country. Funding for the survey is also provided by Canada and ten funding partners including the Atlantic Region.

Federal/Provincial Cooperation Agreement on Culture

The Cooperative Agreement on Culture was signed in Charlottetown, the culmination of three years of negotiations between the government of Prince Edward Island, Communications Canada, and the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency. The four year, $3.55 million agreement will provide funding to develop and promote culture and heritage in P.E.I.

Confederation Centre of the Arts

The Centre faced a challenging year, with increasing operating debt revenues and declining revenues. The Centre's Board made many significant changes to address the problems, including new management, a revised organizational structure and development of a five-year operating plan. Canada and the Province of Prince Edward Island have been involved in ongoing discussions to ensure the long term viability of Canada's only memorial to the Fathers of Confederation. The Cultural Resources Section provided $955,500 toward capital and operating expenses during 1990.

The Prince Edward Island Museum and Heritage Foundation

The Museum and Heritage Foundation is responsible for museum and heritage activities in the province. To assist in carrying out responsibilities in architectural conservation of historic properties, genealogical research and the publication of history/heritage related books, magazines and other materials, the Museum and Heritage Foundation received total funding of $676,400 in 1990.

Community Museums Association

The Community Museums Association received $18,800 to conduct educational workshops and make its member organizations aware of educational opportunities. The Association also sponsors the Museum Conservation Assistance Program. A sum of $20,000 was also set aside to assist Community Museums with projects.

Public Archives and Records Office

The Public Archives and Records Office (PARO) operates under the authority of the *Archives Act* (RSPEI 1988 Cap. A-19). Its mandate is to act as custodian of the public records of the province. Under this mandate it is responsible for the records management of the Government of Prince Edward Island and for making historical materials available for public research. The

demands of researchers are best met by a concerted effort to make the resources of the institution more accessible through better finding aids and through publicity concerning the resources of the Public Archives.

The Archives received over $17,000 from the Canadian Council of Archives under the backlog reduction program. The funds were used for processing a significant series of early twentieth century Supreme Court Records. The PARO also benefited from the National Archives Diffusion Program and received almost $2,000 worth of microfilm from the National Archives collection.

During the past year, 824 researchers registered with the Archives, the majority of whom were Island residents. The total number of research visits for the year was 2370, a 2% decrease from the previous year. The number of photographic orders processed by the Historical Records Division remained consistent with the level processed in previous years. A total of 130 orders were filled for a total of 644 images supplied.

In 1990 three photographic exhibitions were mounted with considerable local coverage, and a C.B.C. Charlottetown story on the one exhibition was aired nationally. Public response to all exhibitions has been very favourable.
The Provincial Archivist addressed a number of community groups and organizations on the role of the Public Archives. He participated in a symposium for educators on the use of heritage resources sponsored by the Confederation Centre. The Public Archives also hosted a workshop on the use of land records in association with the Genealogical Society.

A total of 96 new accessions, including 23 additions to existing collections, were processed. Among the more significant acquisitions were the private papers of former premier and judge, A.E. Arsenault, and an 1854 sketch of Government House by C. Daly.

The Archives continues to operate without professional conservation staff. Some cleaning and minor repair of documents has been carried out. Arrangements were made in the past year to utilize the services of the conservator at the Confederation Centre Art Gallery and Museum.

A total of 31 reels of 35 mm microfilm were filmed over the past year, down slightly from the previous year. An additional 271 reels of microfilm were made available for public research. The program of microfilming church records continues and the PARO has also microfilmed records for a number of government departments and agencies.

As the main archival institution in the province, the PARO has been consulted by a number of organizations. The Historical Records Archivist has acted as a resource persons for the archives section of the Muse Acadien and for the Sisters of St. Martha Archives. The Provincial Archivist continues as a member of the Archaeological Advisory Board, the Heritage Council, the provincial Conservation Committee and of the Board of Directors of the P.E.I. Museum and Heritage Foundation and of the Genealogical Institute of the Maritimes. He represents the Island on the Interprovincial Heritage Advisory Committee and the Canadian Council on Historic Resources.

Records Management

During the first full year of records management development by the PARO a number of significant advances have been made. Records Management Liaison Officers charged with the task of coordinating record management activities within their departments were appointed. An Inventory and Records Analysis course for the Liaison Officers was arranged by PARO and sponsored by the Civil Service Commission. The Provincial Records Manager has conducted group and individual training sessions on records inventory preparation. A Records Management Manual has been produced.

Some 400 records retrieval requests were handled, a 60% increase over the previous year. Present records holdings totals 5,000 linear metres and volume of records destroyed by the Records Office totals 300 metres. Additional records have been destroyed through administrative and operational records schedules.

The Records Manager prepared a number of specialized reports relating to records centralization, vital records, revisions to legislation and records centre standards. A proposal for clerical staff was also submitted.

Historic Records Program

A Procedures Manual for archival processing was prepared, which will provide continuity for Unit activities and facilitate the implementation of nationally acceptable Descriptive Standards for archival collections. Continuing reduction of the backlog of unprocessed or partially processed materials continues to be a priority.

Community Planning Section

The Planning Section comprises a team of planners and technicians whose role is to provide planning support services to all municipalities and unincorporated communities throughout the province. The range of services involves 4 categories:

- assistance to municipalities and the province in matters relating to municipal affairs;
- assistance to municipalities in official plan preparation and implementation;
- advisory services to councils, committees, and other local community groups in project planning and management; and
- assistance to local development groups, teams and committees in all activities relating to Prince Edward Island's rural development strategy.

Municipal Support

Assistance was provided to Wellington, St. Louis, and St. Eleanors in examining municipal boundary extensions and adjustments.

The feasibility of establishing a new municipality in the Greenwich area was studied and discussed in the local communities. The question was eventually resolved by retaining the status quo. As a result of the preparation of the official plan for the Cavendish Special Planning Area, a resort municipality concept was studied, and legislation was prepared to enable such an incorporation. Following the 1990 amendment to the **Municipalities Act**, local communities in the Special Planning Area were assisted in achieving municipal incorporation.

Major activities occurred during the October - December period as a result of municipal elections, a municipal event which only occurs in each 3rd year. In this period, the majority of assistance was in responding to procedural inquiries prior to the elections, and in preparing and distributing materials to newly elected local officials.

Staff provided considerable input into the inquiry of the Royal Commission on the land with respect to municipal and provincial land use, policy and management. Analysis of the Royal Commission's final report was merely begun, with most of that work carrying over into the next year.

Official Plans and Bylaws

Twenty one municipalities carried out official plan exercises during the course of the year with assistance from staff of the Section. The majority of these exercises were full scale reviews of older plans and a small number of amendments were made to existing plans. The Resort Municipality in the Cavendish region,

the Towns of Borden, Kensington, and Souris, and the Communities of Winsloe South, Hillsborough Park, and Miscouche launched first-time official plan exercises.

Official plans are prepared under the direction of planning boards appointed by the municipal councils. Staff assistance is provided to the boards during preparation of the plans. Such projects are of lengthy duration and in some cases will carry through into 1991, depending on when the work was begun.

Twenty five zoning and subdivision bylaw amendments of varying complexity were prepared. Approximately 50 thematic maps were prepared and reproduced in response to community requests from across the province.

Project Planning

Staff assisted in approximately 65 community based projects, across the province. The projects were quite varied in terms of length and involvement, ranging from site development plans for facilities to concept plans for community projects. Some projects were carried out for other branches of the department, and for other departments.

Rural Development

Throughout the year, staff participated in discussions on a strategy for rural development and in preparation of the strategy. Following the adoption of the strategy, planners and technologists began to discuss deployment on a geographic area basis to participate in future task team activities.

The Community Pride Program required a variety of staff assistance at the local level in detailed planning for community improvement projects and in concept design plans.

Municipal Status in Planning

The following table summarizes the current planning status of municipalities and regions in which planning programs are being carried out.

MUNICIPALITY (OR LOCALITY)	EXISTING STATUS	CURRENT ACTION
Charlottetown	Master Plan/Bylaws	
Summerside	Developmt. Bylaws	
Greater Ch'town Envir. Dist.	Official Plan/Regs.	Review
Resort Munic.(Cavendish Region)		Plan in progress
Alberton	Official Plan/Bylaws	
Alexandra	Official Plan/Bylaws	Review
Offshore Islands	Planning Policy/Regs.	
Borden		Plan in progress

Brackley	Official Plan/Bylaws	
Brudenell	Official Plan/Bylaws	
Bunbury	Official Plan/Bylaws	
Cornwall	Official Plan/Bylaws	
Cross Roads	Official Plan/Bylaws	Review
East Royalty	Official Plan/Bylaws	
Eastern Kings	Official Plan/Bylaws	
Eliot River	Official Plan/Bylaws	
Georgetown	Plan/Developmt. Bylaws	
Hillsborough Park	Official Plan/Bylaws	
Hunter River		Plan in progress
Kensington	Developmt. Bylaws	Plan in progress
Keppoch-Kinlock	Official Plan/Bylaws	Review
Kinkora	Official Plan/Bylaws	
Linkletter	Official Plan/Bylaws	
Lower Montague	Official Plan/Bylaws	Review
Miltonvale Park	Official Plan/Bylaws	Review
Miscouche	Official Plan/Bylaws	
Montague	Developmt. Bylaws	
New Haven-Riverdale	Official Plan/ Bylaws	
North River	Official Plan/Bylaws	
North Shore		Plan in progress
O'Leary	Official Plan/Bylaws	
Parkdale	Official Plan/Bylaws	Review
St. Eleanors	Official Plan/Bylaws	
Sherbrooke	Official Plan/Bylaws	
Sherwood	Official Plan/Bylaws	Review
Souris	Developmt. Bylaws	Plan in progress
Souris West		Spec.Plan.Regs.
Southport	Official Plan/Bylaws	
Tignish	Official Plan/Bylaws	Review
Union Road	Official Plan/Bylaws	
Warren Grove	Official Plan/Bylaws	
Wellington	Official Plan/Bylaws	
West Royalty	Official Plan/Bylaws	Review
Wilmot	Official Plan/Bylaws	Review
Winsloe	Official Plan/Bylaws	
Winsloe South	Official Plan/Bylaws	

FRANCOPHONE AFFAIRS SECRETARIAT

The Francophone Affairs Secretariat was established on April 1, 1989, to assist the Provincial Government implement various measures to increase its capacity to provide French Services to the francophone community and to communicate with the residents in their language. The Secretariat assists the Provincial

Government in the implementation of the French Services Policy and coordinates the various bilateral agreements signed by the government.

The Secretariat is staffed by a director, a secretary, an administrative clerk, a full-time translator and a part-time translator. The Secretariat office is located in the Evangeline Regional Services Center in Wellington. The director works two days per week in the Executive Council Office in Charlottetown.

During the period January 1, 1990 to December 31, 1990, the Secretariat staff answered a total of 4,824 inquiries. They also received 622 translation requests for a total of 1,997 pages (an average of 200 words a page) to be translated into French or English.

Under the Canada/P.E.I. General Agreement on the Promotion of Official Languages, projects submitted by various government departments generated a federal contribution of $1,630,125 and a provincial contribution of $627,250 for the fiscal year 1990/1991. These funds allowed the Province to pursue activities such as providing and coordinating provincial services in French, promoting the Acadian linguistic and cultural heritage, providing bilingual services in the Civil Service and in the main hospitals of the province, and maintaining the Francophone Affairs Secretariat.

The coordination of the Quebec/P.E.I. Co-operation Agreement constitutes another field of activity for the Secretariat staff. Several projects were carried out under this Agreement, the purpose of which is to strengthen cooperation between the two provinces, primarily to facilitate the provision of French services for francophones in P.E.I. in such fields as education, culture, economic development, youth, languages, public administration and communications.

The Francophone Affairs Secretariat also oversees activities carried out under the Maritime Provinces Co-operation Agreement. The purpose of this Agreement is to strengthen co-operation between the three provinces in order to facilitate the development and provision of French Services, to promote information exchange and to share resources in areas such as training, translation and international co-operation or in any other sector deemed appropriate.

The Francophone Affairs Secretariat has implemented a Communications Strategy whereby it provides information to the public on bilingual services offered by the provincial government, by means of newspaper articles, information kits, radio interviews, etc. It also coordinates activities of the Acadian Communities Advisory Committee, including the preparation of meetings and follow-up activities as well as consultation

sessions with the public. Another aspect of the Communications Strategy is the maintaining of contacts with employees in designated bilingual positions. A full-day information session was held with these employees in the Spring of 1990. The Francophone Affairs Secretariat also created an information kit on matters pertaining to bilingual services within the Province and a brochure on the Secretariat itself.

SECRÉTARIAT DES AFFAIRES FRANCOPHONES

Le Secrétariat des affaires francophones a été créé le 1er avril 1989 pour aider le gouvernement provincial à mettre en oeuvre diverses mesures visant à augmenter sa capacité à fournir des services en français à la communauté francophone et à communiquer avec celle-ci dans sa langue. Le Secrétariat se charge d'aider le gouvernement provincial dans la mise en application de la Politique sur les services en français et de coordonner les diverses ententes bilatérales signées par le gouvernement.

Le personnel du Secrétariat se compose d'une directrice, d'une secrétaire, d'un commis au soutien administratif, d'une traductrice à plein temps et d'une traductrice à temps partiel. Le bureau est situé au Centre de services régional Évangéline à Wellington (854-3131); toutefois, le commis au soutien administratif travaille au bureau du Conseil exécutif à Charlottetown (368-4509) où se rend également la directrice le mardi et le jeudi.

Au cours de la période du 1er janvier au 31 décembre 1990, le Secrétariat a répondu à 4 824 demandes de renseignements. La section de traduction a reçu 622 demandes de traduction pour un total de 1 997 pages (une moyenne de 200 mots par page).

En vertu de l'Entente-cadre Canada/Î.-P.-É. sur la promotion des langues officielles, les divers ministères provinciaux ont soumis des projets qui ont généré 1 630 125 $ en contributions fédérales et 627 250 $ en contributions provinciales pendant l'année financière 1990-1991. Grâce à ces fonds, la Province a pu poursuivre des activités telles que la prestation et la coordination de services provinciaux en français, la promotion du patrimoine linguistique et culturel des Acadiens, la prestation de services bilingues dans la Fonction publique et dans les principaux hôpitaux de la province ainsi que le maintien du Secrétariat des affaires francophones.

Le personnel du Secrétariat s'occupe également de la coordination de l'Accord de coopération et d'échanges Québec/Î.-P.-É. Plusieurs projets ont été réalisés grâce à cette entente dont le but est de renforcer la coopération entre les deux provinces, notamment en vue de faciliter la prestation de services en

français pour les francophones de l'Î.-P.-É. dans des domaines tels que l'éducation, la culture, l'économie, la jeunesse, les langues, l'administration publique et les communications.

De plus, le Secrétariat coordonne les activités de l'Accord de coopération entre les Provinces maritimes. Cette entente vise à renforcer la coopération entre les trois provinces afin de faciliter le développement et la prestation de services en français, de favoriser l'échange d'information et de partager des ressources dans des domaines tels que la formation, la traduction, la coopération internationale ou dans tout autre domaine jugé approprié.

Le Secrétariat des affaires francophones a mis en oeuvre une stratégie de communication lui permettant d'informer le public sur les services bilingues qu'offre le gouvernment provincial par l'entremise d'articles de journaux, de trousses d'information, d'entrevues radiophoniques, etc. Le Secrétariat coordonne également les activités du Comité consultatif des communautés acadiennes, y compris la préparation et le suivi de réunions ainsi que la tenue de sessions de consultation avec le public. Dans le cadre de sa stratégie de communication, le Secrétariat entretient des liens avec les employés occupant des postes désignés bilingues. Au printemps 1990, ces employés ont participé à une pleine journée d'information. Le Secrétariat a aussi publié une trousse d'information sur les services bilingues au sein de la province et sur des sujets connexes ainsi qu'un dépliant sur le Secrétariat même.

PROVINCIAL LIBRARY DIVISION

The responsibility for the Provincial Library was transferred to the Department of Community and Cultural Affairs effective August 1, 1990. Before that time the library was a Division of the Department of Education. At the time of the transfer the library was made up of seven separate sections including the Confederation Centre Public Library, Branch Library Services, Bookmobile Services, Government Services Library, Technical Services Branch, Media Centre, and the School Library Consultant. When the transfer was made the two school related branches remained with the Department of Education.

The Provincial Library does continue to make the services of its Technical Services Division available to schools and carries out a centralized ordering, cataloguing, and processing service for them. The public libraries also cooperate with the Media Centre by circulating its collection of video tapes through many of the branch libraries.

The Throne Speech presented in the Legislature in 1990 announced that the Provincial Library headquarters was to be moved to Morell. Relocation planning was largely completed in 1990.

The Library has been integrated into the Department of Community and Cultural Affairs and is functioning effectively and efficiently within a department whose focus on cultural activities and community development are very complementary to those of the library.

Branch Libraries

The annual system wide "Summer Reading Club" was operated once again with a high level of participation in all branches. The theme for this years celebration was "peer amid books" using a theme of Egyptian archaeology as the basis for the program. Children's author Sheree Fitch visited the province with assistance from the Canada Council and provided programs in several libraries.

Confedederation Centre Library

During the fall the Confederation Centre Library held a fall fair with a high level of public participation especially in the children's activities. Children's Book Week was celebrated as part of the national program. Author Martha Brooks appeared at the Confederation Centre Children's Library and several other locations. Many of the branch libraries carried out their own special programs to mark the occasion.

Government Services Library

The Government Services Library began offering access to on-line electronic data bases to provide an enhanced level of service to its clients. The Librarian attended a workshop introducing the Dialogue DataBase network and now uses this service to provide reference searches for clients. The service will continue as a pilot project until a better estimate of the probable use and cost of the service is available.

Technical Services Unit

The Technical Services Unit has been extremely busy during this period. The Department of Education distributed a special grant of $100,000 to Island schools to upgrade library materials. The materials were ordered during the last part of fiscal 89-90 and have been received and catalogued during the spring and summer. This has resulted in an especially heavy workload during the summer months. The availability of additional summer staff through the Jobs for Youth Program and some temporary staff have helped speed up this process.

The statistical report for the fiscal year 1989-1990 has been included with the annual report for the Department of Education. Circulation and acquisition statistics, as well as information on volumes handled by the centralized processing service are not yet complete for the year. Initial indications are that there will be slight increases in each of these areas.

COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION

The Community Services Division is responsible for the provision of technical and professional development services to all areas of the Province, except those municipalities which have Official Plans and Bylaws. It is also responsible for Provincial land use and development policy, the administration of the Provinces' five regional services centres and Island Information Services which was transferred to the Department on April 1, 1990. In addition, the Division, in 1990, continued to provide services to the Province's 90 municipalities through the Municipal Affairs section.

Provincial Planning Section

The Section coordinated the Department's response to the Report of the Royal Commission on the Land.

Work continued and was completed on research and background as well as options on several land use policy areas including the following:

a) Off-Shore Islands
b) Coastal Subdivision
c) Shorefront Access
d) Strip Development
e) Public Service Industrial Uses
f) Commercial and Industrial Land
g) Wetlands, Beaches and Dunes

Official Plan Guidelines for the municipal plan preparation process have been developed and are awaiting implementation. The Guidelines will be useful in providing a clear indication of the relationship of Official Plans to Provincial Land Use and Development Policy as well as providing better definition of plan content and process to planning boards and community planners.

The Section Director continued as the Chairman of the Provincial Interdepartmental Land Use Coordinating Committee which includes representatives from twelve departments and agencies. This committee meets periodically during the year to discuss various issues related to land use. A review of the Greater Charlottetown Environmental District Plan was completed in 1990. The draft has been discussed and is awaiting implementation.

Work was initiated on the application of restrictive covenants within the Morell River Conservation Zone. A draft for discussion was completed.

In relation to Major Retail Developments, the Section provided research and policy support for the Minister's decision to approve a 152,500 sq. ft. shopping centre in West Royalty.

In August 1988 amendments were made to the **Fire Prevention Act** to permit the establishment of unincorporated areas into fire districts. The sole purpose of a fire district is the collection of fire service charges by including them on the Provincial Property Tax Bills.

During the year this Section worked directly with the Department of Finance, Fire Departments and Community Councils to establish six new fire districts: Borden, Mount Stewart, Johnsons River, Sherwood, Kinkora, and Tignish.

Since its inception a total of twenty-three fire districts have been established under this program. In 1990, $386,100 was collected by the Province from over 31,000 properties and returned to the Fire Departments. Several other areas have expressed interest in establishing fire districts in 1991.

Municipal Affairs Section

During 1990, the Municipal Affairs Section continued to provide advice and assistance to the 90 municipalities in the Province and the organizations affiliated with them.

The Province provides grants to municipalities under the Municipal Services Grant Program (MSGP). Established in 1986, the MSGP has components relating to equalization, police service and street maintenance. In 1990, the Program grants totaled 4.12 million,a substantial increase over 1989. The increase, was, in part, a result of the detailed study undertaken in 1989 by a joint committee of the Department and the Federation of P.E.I. Municipalities.

With the expiry of the initial MSGP period in 1989, the Department undertook a Provincial-Municipal Property Tax Issues study in 1990. The objective of the study is to examine the practicality and equity of the existing municipal property tax system in the Province. A steering committee, consisting of representatives from the department of Community & Cultural Affairs, the department of Finance and the Federation of P.E.I. Municipalities will manage the study which is being carried out by the firm of Smith-Green Associates of Charlottetown.

Extensive input will be obtained from the Federation and selected municipalities. The study is expected to be completed in early to mid 1991.

The Department maintained its close working relationship with the Federation of P.E.I. Municipalities in 1990 through a variety of consultations and projects. "Local Government Week" was jointly sponsored in October, and in recognition of the upcoming municipal elections, the 1990 theme was "Participation Counts -- Run and Vote". This, the fourth annual program, was well received by the municipalities, the media, and the general public.

The **Municipalities Act** provides for tri-annual elections for all municipalities in the Province except Charlottetown and Summerside, which have their own individual acts of incorporation, and separate election cycles. This was a municipal election year with Province-wide elections held on November 5th. The election results indicated that nearly half of the approximately 550 councillors elected did not serve on the previous council. This will underscore the need for assistance in the planning of workshops and other training to be carried out whenever the opportunity is available.

In preparation for the new municipal terms, the Department, together with the Federation of P.E.I. Municipalities, the Association of Municipal Administrators, P.E.I. and the Maritime Municipal Training Board, prepared a Post Election Review Guide for use by municipalities and others in conducting orientation sessions for new Councils. In addition to this, the Department intends to assist the Federation in carrying out three planned councillors workshops scheduled to commence in February 1991. As well, a third edition of the publication "A Guide to Local Government in P.E.I." was published in 1990 by the Maritime Municipal Training and Development Board in cooperation with the Federation and the Department. The Guide was included in a package along with relevant legislation and other information sent to all councillors in the Province by the Department.

Following the municipal elections, a survey was conducted by the Department in cooperation with the Federation of P.E.I. Municipalities to obtain updated information for the 1991 Municipal Directory which is scheduled for publication in January 1991.

During 1990, the Department continued to cooperate with the Association of Municipal Administrators, P.E.I., by attending its Annual Meeting and participating in its' two workshops in a resource and information capacity.

In recognition of the importance of education and training for municipal elected and appointed officials, the Section continued to work towards courses and other training for these officials through continuation of its working relationship with the Maritime Municipal Training and Development Board, (MMTDB) and the Municipal Administration Program (MAP). MMTDB, which operates under the Council of Maritime Premiers and the MAP, which operates from Henson College at Dalhousie University in Halifax, both continue to provide excellent programs and services in providing educational opportunities to municipal officials and elected persons. During 1990, the Department continued to assist by writing, editing, and commenting on material for the MAP courses for municipal administration and continuing its membership on the Education Development Committee. Liaison with MMTDB continued and a one day session was held in Summerside during the past year.

Building & Development Services Section

The Section provides technical, advisory and inspection services on a regional basis out of five service centers.

In general, the number of permits issued this year by the section was down slightly over the previous year. The public demand, however, for advisory services continues to increase, placing a strain on the section's personnel. Similarly, the activities of the Fire Marshal's Office have also increased by the demands placed on it from the legislation enacted by other Departments of government.

Subdivision Development Office

During 1990, the office received and filed a total of 458 subdivisions. Final approval was granted for 158, containing a total of 227 lots. Listed below is a breakdown, according to use, of the number of lots created by the 158 approvals:

Single family dwelling (including mobile homes used as single family dwellings)	145
Summer cottage	61
Commercial	3
Miscellaneous	18
Total	227

Of the 458 subdivisions, 175 were filed for record purposes, and represented mainly first single family dwelling or mobile home lots from previously unsubdivided properties. One proposal was later cancelled by the applicant, and the Department denied nine applications. Two of these denials were appealed by applicants to the Land Use Commission, which upheld the Department's decision in both cases.

Another 115 applications were either approved in principle or remained pending for a variety of reasons. Included in the latter group were 7 affected by a departmental policy developed in early 1989, whereby new subdivisions of more than 5 lots were deferred pending completion of the report of the Royal Commission on the Land. The policy was continued through 1990 because of the delayed release of the Commission's report, and it is now expected that all deferred proposals will be given further consideration in 1991, after Government has acted upon the Commission's recommendations.

A total of $6,825 in subdivision approval fees was collected. Part of this amount includes payments for applications originally submitted in 1989, the year fees were introduced, but not given final approval until later.

As in previous years various Community Councils continued to make use of staff's technical advice and assistance in order to enforce their own Official Plans and Zoning and Subdivision Control Bylaws. The number of such communities is expected to increase next year as new plans and regulations are developed.

The development of programs for computerization of the subdivision records system continued throughout the year, and the test entry of data begins early in 1991.

Building and Development Office

The office administers the **Planning Act Regulations** as they apply to building and the development of individual parcels of land, consulting with and involving other regulatory authorities as may be required in the development process. The office also provides administrative support and inspection services to some Communities which have adopted Official Plans and development bylaws.

The office is responsible for administration of the "Environmental Protection Act Sewage Disposal Regulations". This service extends to assisting property owners to resolve problems with malfunctioning sewage disposal systems in both rural areas and incorporated municipalities which do not provide a municipal sewage system.

In 1990, staff processed 1418 building permits, 1105 sewage disposal systems permits, and carried out approximately 5143 inspections.

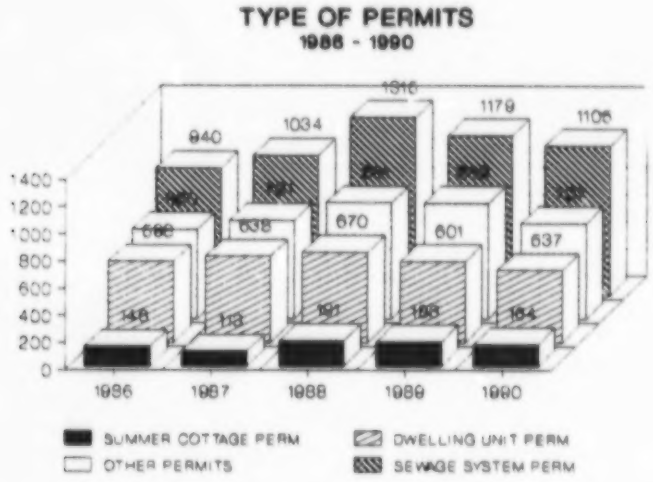
Considerable effort was spent in developing a computer program for the building and sewage disposal system programs. The new program will be in effect in January of 1991. During the first

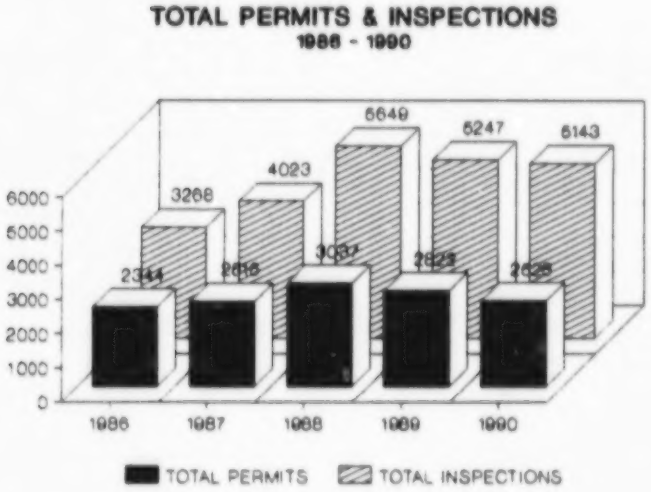
year it will be operative in the Charlottetown office only. Following evaluation and adjustment as may be required, the program will be implemented in the Regional Service Centers.

The following is a breakdown of fees collected:

Building permits		$30,450.00
Sewage disposal permits		$11,350.00
	Total	$41,800.00

The following graphs provide a comparison of permits and inspections for the last 5 years.





Plumbing Office

The plumbing inspection team carried out over 3049 inspections from five regional offices. This represents an increase of 156 inspections over the previous year.

	1989	1990
Permits issued	975	849
Fees collected	$54,982	$52,498

Fire Marshal's Office

The Fire Marshal's Office continues to work closely with the P.E.I. Firefighters Association in the development of a major training center in Miltonvale for the Province. New classrooms, a burn pit, ladder tower, and smoke tower have been completed. The Office was greatly assisted in its efforts by the volunteer time donated by the members of the P.E.I. Firefighters Association It is anticipated that the center will play a prominent role next year when the P.E.I. Firefighters host the Maritime Fire Chiefs Association.

Fifty-eight volunteer firefighters completed Level I firefighting training this year and six new fire districts were formed, bringing the total to twenty-three fire districts on Prince Edward Island.

Fire deaths increased from 6 in 1989 to 9 in 1990 (one fire accounted for four deaths). It is anticipated, however, that the total number of fires will decrease this year when all the Fire Companies have submitted their annual reports.

The following is a summary of 1989 and 1990 fire statistics:

	1989	1990 (Est.)
Total number of building inspections	1600	900
Total number of fire investigations	140	130
Building plans reviewed	300	250
Number of fires of incendiary nature (excluding vehicles)	52	50
Total number of deaths	6	9
Total number of fires recorded	1290	1100
Total number of fires over $100,000.	4	8
Total number of fires over $1,000,000.	1	0
Total property loss	$5,394,766	$5,000,000

It should be noted that the figures for the current year are estimated. As in previous years, however, the corrected figures will be shown in the 1991 report.

Island Information Service

On April 1, 1990, Island Information Service transferred from the Department of Transportation and Public Works to the Community Services Division of the Department of Community and Cultural Affairs.

Island Information Service is responsible for answering mail inquiries, phone inquiries, and requests from walk-in clients about the P.E.I. Government and Prince Edward Island in general. IIS distributes information for provincial government departments, agencies, corporations, and commissions regarding their programs, services and other activities of interest to the public. This information is sent out in many forms, e.g. news releases, photo cutlines, publications, etc.

IIS supplies a newswire service to the following Island news outlets: ATV, CBC, CFCY, CHTN, CJRW, the Guardian-Patriot and the Journal-Pioneer. Information is also mailed to other media and interested parties on a daily or weekly basis. IIS distributed 639 releases between April 1 and December 31, 1990.

The central fax and telex machines for the P.E.I. Government are located at IIS. From April 1 to December 31, 1990, IIS processed 88,758 pages of faxes and 175 Telexes.

At its location in the basement of the Jones Building, 11 Kent Street, IIS continues to stock all provincial acts and regulations which it supplies to government departments and agencies and sells to the general public. During the period April 1 to December 31, 1990 the total sales from government publications and acts and regulations amounted to $6,196.51.

IIS also publishes and distributes a number of publications which include the Government Services Directory, Employee Telephone Directory, Organizations, Clubs and Associations booklet, Quick Reference Guide and Notes of PEI. Publications from government departments and agencies are also distributed through IIS to interested parties. Updates are provided by IIS for Prince Edward Island entries in various encyclopedias, almanacs, yearbooks and directories.

In 1983, Island Inquiries was established as part of IIS. Island Inquiries is a bilingual telephone information and referral service dealing with programs and services offered by the federal and provincial governments. Island Inquiries is part of a federal/provincial agreement with Supply and Services Canada.

East Prince Regional Services Centre

Thirty-eight full-time staff and eight part-time staff provided services from the East Prince Regional Services Centre.

Centre facilities have accommodated approximately 1300 meetings during the past year.

East Prince Community Advisory Board

The East Prince Community Advisory Board was formed in May of 1990. The Board consists of nine members representing nine rural zones extending from Breadalbane/Stanley Bridge in the East to the Northam Road in the West.

To date the Advisory Board has been actively involved in Junior Achievement; Skills Training Program for volunteers; and Job Development. They are currently planning for a one-day information session on Government Services; an Environmental Conference scheduled for May, 1991 and a tour of the Science-Technology Research Centre in Ottawa.

Evangeline Regional Services Centre

The Evangeline Regional Services Centre relocated to its expanded offices on July 16, 1990 in the new Community Business Centre owned by the Baie Acadienne Industrial Commission. The move gives the services centre 2,250 square feet of office space compared to 1,100 square feet in the other location.

The Evangeline Regional Services Centre continues to play a major information and developmental role in the francophone community of Evangeline.

The Centre provide a range of new services in 1990:

Full-time:	Cultural Development Officer
Full-time:	Craft Development Officer
Full-time:	Youth, Fitness, and Recreation Officer
Part-time:	Health and Welfare Canada

Evangeline Community Advisory Board

The Board continued to promote community and volunteer development within their service area. A public speaking course was sponsored by the Advisory Board in the area. A series of breakfast meetings were organized over the year dealing with such topics as the Rural Development Strategy and the Canada Winter Games. Activities were organized during Small Business Week. The Board organized a visit to the Food Technology Centre and the Atlantic Veterinary College, where local entrepreneurs and interested people were encouraged to participate.

The Board coordinated and participated in the public presentations for the Rural Development Strategy.

The Board initiated a community discussion focusing on developing a common vision over the next ten years. All community groups and organizations will be involved in this exercise.

The Board continued to lobby provincial and federal governments for additional services as expressed by community needs and continued to coordinate community input on certain issues i.e. Community Futures, the G.S.T. Processing Centre.

Community Development Initiatives

The Regional Coordinator/Administrator provided assistance to various community groups and associations with their ideas and projects, such as the Community Health Care Clinic, the Community Care Facility for the Evangeline area and the Bowling Alley/Recreation Centre project. The coordinator was involved in the delivery of a long and short-term planning seminars for community groups; planning and implementation of a Junior Achievers Project; development of the Miscouche Bog with the Acadian Purchase Trust; and delivery of industry programs and presentation of applications to the Small Business Review Board.

Eastern Kings Regional Services Centre

The construction of a new Regional Services Centre was approved in 1990. The new facility is anticipated to be open in 1991.

The Centre added several new services in 1990:

1) Community Development Co-ordinator
2) Handcraft Development Officer
3) Cultural Development Officer

Eastern Kings Community Advisory Board

The Board provided assistance to the Eastern Kings Chamber of Commerce to promote and initiate a Junior Achievers Program for the area. The Board sponsored a Worker's Coop Information Session and prepared a directory of government services in Eastern Kings.

The Board co-sponsored a Unique Career Day for female students at Morell Regional High School and a workshop for parents of the physically and mentally handicapped.

The Board co-sponsored with other Advisory Boards a Province-wide conference on Rural Development and a province-wide Fisheries Conference.

The Board also sent letters on specific concerns: rural electrical rates, Morell Satellite Office (relocation), Island Telephone long distance charges, Highway conditions from Charlottetown to Souris, etc.

Community Awareness Week

The Board joined Advisory Boards across the Island for a dinner meeting to kick off Community Awareness Week. The Board held a reception for leaders of organizations in the Eastern Kings Services Centre area.

Southern Kings and Queens Services Centre

The Regional Centre houses 70 provincial government employees who deliver government services and programs to the residents of southeast P.E.I. In addition, 77 part-time positions through projects and programs were headquartered at the Centre. Clients served during the year increased about 13 percent over 1989.

A full-time Environmental Officer and a Community Development Coordinator were added to the staff.

The Red Cross services housed at the Centre were expanded to provide additional equipment for loan purposes.

A computer linkage to the Centre was installed by the Department of Industry to provide a computerized source of information for P.E.I. businesses.

Southern Kings and Queens Community Advisory Board

The Board employed 36 workers for 426 work weeks in various projects. The Senior Citizens Home Repair project repaired 35 senior citizens homes. Under the Unsightly Structures Project, 47 old buildings and the materials were salvaged for community projects.

The Board sponsored and helped organize a Provincial Fisheries conference in Mill River and attended by 26 fishermen from the Southeast region.

A Regional Development Conference focusing on historical murals was organized utilizing board resources and involving numerous community groups.

Four issues of a regional newsletter were published and distributed to 5,100 addresses.

A presentation opposing the multi-rate billing system presently applied to electricity rates has been prepared and will be presented to the Public Utilities Commission.

Board members participated in a conference focusing on Rural Development Issues.

West Prince Regional Services Centre

Twelve full and eighteen part time Provincial and Federal government departments/agencies provided services to West Prince in 1990.

Administrative and clerical staff assisted 3263 clients and handled 9657 phone calls, which involved anything from assistance to filling out forms to answering inquiries for departments/agencies not located in the Centre.

The expansion to the Centre was completed and staff moved in on December 10, 1990.

West Prince Community Advisory Board

The Board sponsored: the West Prince Profile Video; the Job Entry program with twenty participants for a twenty four week period; and award for Community Awareness and a Management of Meetings seminar.

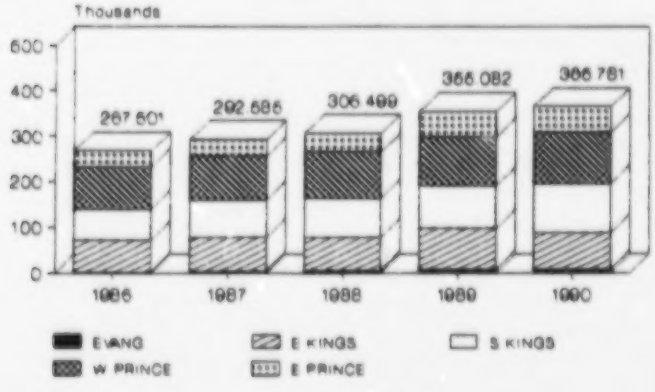
The Board co-sponsored, with the other Advisory Boards, a Fisheries Conference and a Joint Advisory Board Seminar.

The Board lobbied for electrical rate increases in rural areas and in support of Rural Dignity.

Regional Services Centre Statistical Summary

The following graphs depict a five year comparison of activity levels at the Centres.

TELEPHONE CALLS TO REGIONAL SERVICE CENTRES
1986 - 1990



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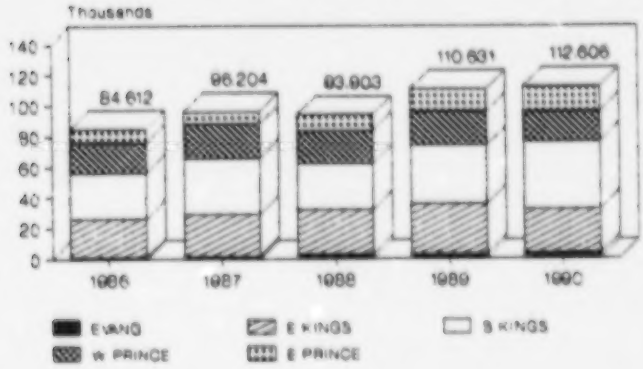

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS
SUMMARY OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE PERIOD APRIL 1, 1989 TO MARCH 31, 1990

	Revenue	Expenditure
Administration	500	347,100
Community Services	109,500	5,062,800
Cultural Affairs	662,800	3,844,400
Youth, Fitness & Recreation	17,200	1,274,200
Rural Development	27,400	1,505,800
French Secretariat	184,700	181,600
Regional Services Centres	138,300	939,100
	$1,140,400	$13,155,000